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HON. ALLAN E. McDONALD

NOTARY PUBLIC
COMMISSIONER FOR AFFIDAVITS
HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.
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STATES AND OF NEW ZEALAND

IVAN J. LEWIS, M.A., LL.M.

BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS

191.55.

Flight/Lieut. F.W. Stevens,
C/- Miss.N.A. Sim,
Primrose Street,
NEWMARKET. Brisbane Q.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of yours of 3rd inst, and note your
advices for which we thank you.

re Your Mother's Will.

You are correct in your belief that we are aware of the
present position concerning your brother. It is quite possible
to give effect to your mother's desires as to her will, and in
our opinion the better course, rather than for her to make a new
will, would be for her to make a Codicil to the present will.
We have drafted a codicil which we think should meet the position,
and enclose such draft herewith. We would be obliged if you
will go through and consider this and, let us know whether you
consider it gives effect to your mother's wishes, as known to you.
If so, we would then have it engrossed, and get in touch with your
mother to arrange for her to sign it.

yours truly,

Encls.

Wighton & McDonald

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PRIVATE TELEPHONES:

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IVAN J. LEWIS 2074

53 YARRA STREET

Geelong, 12th March, 1945.
(P.O. Box 78)

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Geelong, 17th April 1945.
(P.O. Box 78)

251242,
Flt/Lieut. F.W. Stevens,
C/o Miss N.M. Sim,
Primrose Street,
NEWMARKET.
BRISBANE.

Dear Sir,

re Your late Father's Estate.

We have to report that Federal Estate Duty on this estate has now been assessed at £27.15.7 : this figure is correct and we have therefore paid this duty. We have also arranged with the Bank that the fixed deposits due in 1946 can be drawn a year earlier and have drawn that for £113. which was due in March. That for £1100 will be available on 12th May. From the moneys in hand we have also now paid all the estate liabilities. We cannot proceed to payment of legacies and final winding up of the estate until the fixed deposit is available next month, but as soon as we do collect it we propose to pay the legacies and prepare and submit a final account to you and your brother for approval.

In the meantime we can proceed now with the transfer to your mother of the Point Lonsdale property and the Bank share. As your brother is now out of the forces we cannot act further on his Power of Attorney but are preparing the documents necessary for these transfers and sending them to him for his signature. We can arrange for their completion as soon as he has signed and returned them.

Following your letter of 27th ult. we have been expecting that you might be able to call, but apparently you have not been able yet to get to Geelong. We will be pleased to see you as soon as you are able to do so.

Yours truly,

Wighton & McDonald

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Geelong, 2nd May 1945.
(P.O. Box 78)

BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS
J.L.P.J.C.

251424,
Flt/Lieut. F.W. Stevens,
Group 273
R.A.A.F.
PACIFIC.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of yours of 25th ult. with enclosure for which we thank you.

re Your Mother's Will.

We are having the draft Codicil engrossed for signature by your mother and will then make arrangements to have it signed by her.

re Your late Father's Estate.

The letter which had followed your to Point Lonsdale was merely reporting to you the present position in this estate in this estate. Federal Estate duty has now been paid and we have got in various moneys with the exception only of a fixed deposit of £1100 which we have arranged to collect after 12th inst. We have paid Estate liabilities and when we have collected this further fixed deposit will go ahead with arrangements for payment of legacies and winding up the estate. We have prepared the necessary documents in connection with the transfer to your mother of the Point Lonsdale property and the Bank share and have now had such documents signed by your brother and will therefore arrange for your mother to sign them at the same time as she is signing the Codicil. We have just sent to your brother the forms necessary to enable us to draw the fixed deposit which will be available on 12th May and will proceed further with the matter when we receive same back from him. You will no doubt appreciate that as he is now out of the forces we now have to forward documents to him for his own signature as we cannot act further on the Power of Attorney which we obtained from him. Mr. McDonald is still able however to sign all documents on your behalf under your own Power of Attorney.

We were sorry that you did not have the opportunity of seeing us to discuss matters generally with us when you were last home but no doubt your wife will have informed that she saw us a day or so after you were recalled and explained the position to us.

Yours truly,
Wighton & McDonald

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Geelong, 2nd July 1945
(P.O. Box 78)

25145,
Flt/Liaut. F. W. Stevens,
C/o Mrs. O. Sim,
Primrose Street,
Newmarket.
Queensland

Dear Sir,

re Your Late Father's Estate

We are in receipt of your letter of 28th ult. with enclosures and note your advices for which we thank you. As requested we are forwarding you herewith a further copy of the estate account which we trust will give you all the additional information that you require.

Yours truly,

Encl. Air Mail.

Wighton & McDonald

ESTATE G.F.W. STEVENS DECEASEDEXECUTORS' ACCOUNTSRECEIPTS

1945 Feb. 27	BY Commercial Banking Co. of Sydney Ltd. Colac		
	Fixed deposit -	£149. 2. 9	
	Interest thereon -	5.19. 4	
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		£155. 2. 1	
	Less exchange	2. 0	£155. 0. 1
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Mch. 2	Commercial Banking Co. of Sydney Ltd. Queens- cliff.		
	Current Account -	£38. 2. 6	
	Less exchange	1. 0	38. 1. 6
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	Commercial Banking Co. of Sydney Ltd. dividend		9. 4
" 16	Commercial Banking Co. of Sydney Ltd. Colac		
	Fixed Deposit	£113. 1. 3	
	Interest thereon	1. 8. 3	
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		£114. 9. 6	
	Less Exchange	1. 6	£114. 8. 0
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May 2	Commercial Banking Co. of Sydney Ltd. Colac		
	Fixed Deposit	£1100. 0. 0	
	Interest thereon	13.15. 0	
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		£1113.15. 0	
	Less Exchange	11. 6	£1113. 3. 6
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	Assets transferred or delivered in specie to Mrs. E. Stevens, residuary beneficiary, at probate values -		
	Real Estate, Main Road, Point Lonsdale		
		£1450. 0. 0	
	Furniture	60. 0. 0	
	1 Share, Commercial Banking Co. of Sydney Ltd.	19.11. 0	£1529.11. 0
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			£3000.13. 5
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DISBURSEMENTS

1944 Nov. 24	TO E. Pinney, insurance premium	£5.15. 3	£3000.13. 5
1945 Jan. 18	Pardey & Co.	12. 1	
Feb. 5	State Probate Duty	£119. 8. 6	
Mch. 2	State Land Tax	5. 2	
Apl. 17	Federal Estate Duty	27.15. 7	
	Miss. R.M. Stevens, refund of payment to hospital	6.12. 0	

	Brought Forward	£160. 8; 7	£3000.13. 5
Apr. 17	To Kardinia House, Geelong Hospital	19. 0. 3	
	Dr. McPhee	10.10. 0	
	E.H.King & Co. Undertakers	27. 0. 0	
1944 Nov.16 to 1945 May 18	Mrs. E. Stevens, residuary beneficiary, payments on account	42. 0. 0	
	Assets transferred in specie as per contra	£1529.11. 0	
	Wighton & McDonald, out of pocket fees and expenses in connection with probate application etc.	11. 6. 2	
	Miss.R.M.Stevens, refund of balance of payment to hospital -	15. 0	
	Legacies -		
	Miss.R.M.Stevens £100		
	F.W.Stevens £100		
	H.R.Stevens £100	£300. 0. 0	
	Wighton & McDonald, legal costs in connection with application for probate and administration and winding up of estate etc.	52.10. 0	
	Balance to Mrs.E.Stevens, residuary beneficiary	£847.12. 5	
		£3000.13. 5	£3000.13. 5

Samarai
Main Road,
Porirua - Longdale
Sept. 4th 1940.

I, hereby state, that the title of
my property "Samarai" Main Rd. Porirua - Longdale
The Fire Insurance policy of same, are
both held by.

James Whiston & McDonald.

Solicitors

Wellington.

Emma Stevens

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53 YARRA STREET

Geelong, 8th September 1947.
(P.O. Box 78)

BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS
IJL:MS.

F.W. Stevens Esq.,
Primrose Street,
NEWMARKET. BRISBANE. Q.

Dear Sir,

re your mother's Will.

with enclosures

We have your letter of 4th inst. /and note your advices
for which we thank you. Our formal receipt for your cheque is
herewith.

Yours truly.

Wighton & Donald

Encl.

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Geelong, 19th August 1947
(P.O. Box 78)

MRS. EMMA STEVENS,
C/- S. W. Stevens, Esq.,
Primrose Street,
Newmarket,
BRISBANE.

-to-

WIGHTON & McDONALD, Solicitors, GEELONG.

re Your Will

1947
July
August

To our professional costs in connection with)
preparation of will and attendance on you at)
Point Lonsdale to sign same -)

£2. 2. 0

Paid travelling expenses

5. 6

£2. 7. 6

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Geelong, 9-9-1947
(P.O. Box 78)

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BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS

Received from *Mrs. E. Stevens*
per W. Stevens
the sum of *£20 pounds 7/6*
being *cost*

WIGHTON & McDONALD,

Per *[Signature]*

WIGHTON & McDONALD

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GUILDFORD, N.S.W.

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MR. VICKERS-WILLIS 5793
MR. KIDD - 4177

189-191 MOORABOOL STREET

Geelong, 15th May, 1953.
(P.O. Box 78)

Dear Sir,

re Estate G.F.W. Stevens dec'd.

Further to ours of 5th inst. we have to report that we have now taken the first step in this matter and obtained a Probate Office search with respect to your Grand-mother's estate. This search shows that at the date of her death she owned three properties in Colac namely a house in Manifold Street on land with a frontage of 44 feet let to a Mrs. Roberts, a house in Gellibrand Street on land with a frontage of 40 feet 8 inches let to a Mr. J. Monaghan and another area of 35 acres and 15 perches with a dwelling house on it. We presume that this last will be the property now in question and are therefore now going ahead with title searches in an endeavour to ascertain what subsequent dealings there have been with the title to this property. If you desire us to make similar searches with respect to the titles to the Manifold Street and Gellibrand Street properties or either of them, will you kindly advise us. Otherwise we will take it that you wish us to follow up the one property only.

Yours truly,

Wighton & McDonald

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189-191 MOORABOOL STREET

Geelong, 11th June, 1953.
(P.O. Box 78)

Dear Sir,

re Estate G.F.W. Stevens, dec'd.

Further to ours of 15th ult., we have now obtained a Search of the title referred to.

We enclose herewith a sketch plan of the land originally in this title which stood in your late grand-mother's name. As executor of her Will, your father in April 1912 transferred that portion of the land which is shaded on the enclosed sketch, comprising 17 acres, to Annie Louisa Stevens and Maude Josephine Stevens as the devisees entitled thereto. In November, 1912 he transferred into his own name as owner the portion of the land which is shown in red on the enclosed sketch and it appears that the title to this portion still stands in your late father's name.

As a further step towards endeavouring to get the matter put in order for you we are now making a further enquiry of the Titles Office as to who picked up the title from there when it was transferred into your father's name as of course it will be practically essential to locate the title itself before you could be in a position to do anything with respect to it. We will in due course advise you of the result of this enquiry and whether we are able to locate the title.

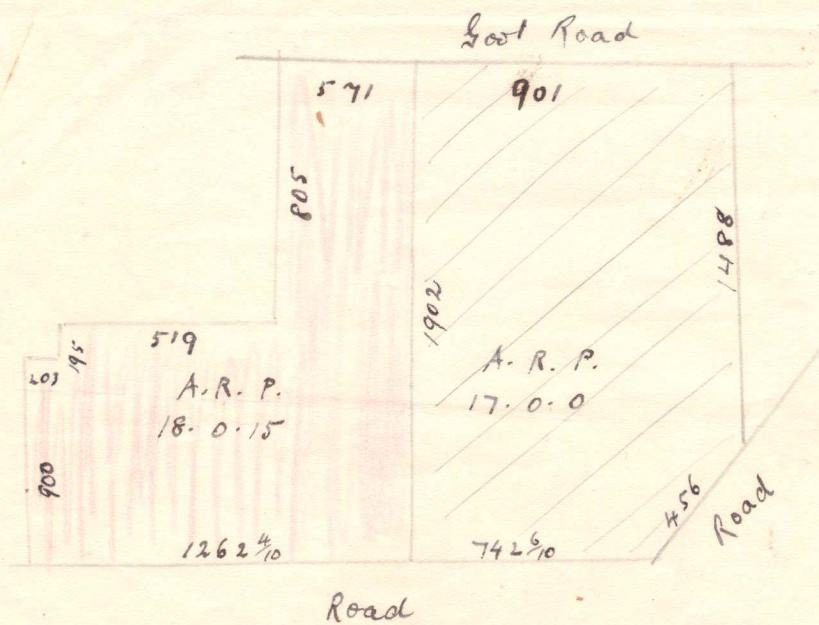
In the meantime we will now be obliged to have your further instructions as to whether you desire the matter followed further as it would appear from our enquiries at present that this property remains part of your late father's estate unless someone else has acquired rights of adverse possession which would defeat your late father's title.

Yours truly,

Enc.

Wighton & McDonald

re S. F. W. Stevens deed



Measurements are in links

189 Moorabool Street,

Geelong 1-12-1953

Mr. F.W. Stevens

Dr. to

Wighton & McDonald
Barristers and Solicitors

For Professional Fees as per
Account Rendered

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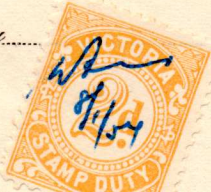
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Received from Mr F.W. Stevens

the sum of Nine pounds 7/-

being



WIGHTON & McDONALD,

Per

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GLENN SCOTT KIDD, A.A.S.A.

Geelong, 6th April 1954.
(P.O. Box 78)

BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS
L.S.

Mrs. E. Stevens,
"Samarai"
Main Road,
POINT LONSDALE.

Dear Madam,

re your Will.

We have your letter of 1st inst. and very much regret to hear of the loss of your son. We do not think, however, that this will necessitate any alteration of the Will which we are holding for you unless you so desire. The Will makes express provision for the event of any of your children predeceasing you. As the position now stands, as a result of your son's death, the effect of the Will is that the quarter share in real estate (i.e. house or land) which would have gone to your younger son had he lived, will now be equally divided between your daughter and your other son, F.W. Stevens, so that this part of the estate will be divided between the two of them, five-eighths to your daughter and three-eighths to your son. Your other assets, other than the household furniture and effects, which go to your daughter will be equally divisible between your daughter and your son, F.W. Stevens. If this is still satisfactory to you, then the Will can remain as it stands. If, however, you now desire any other provision to be made, then if you will so advise us we will endeavour to work it out for you.

Yours truly,

Wighton & McDonald

Copy

Sarrarai
Main Road
Point Lonsdale
April 22nd 1954.

To Messrs Wighton & McDonald.

Solicitors

Dear Sirs.

Thank you for your letter & I
will now try to answer it.
As far as I can see, your suggestions
of wording of my Will, will be what
I wish, & I will now leave it in
your hands I don't think there is any
need for further action on your part.
I think it's all clear as my wishes
are expressed.

Please let me know if this letter
does not meet with your approval.

I remain,

Yours Faithfully
(Mrs) E. Stevens.